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ADOPTION OF VISITING MISSION RESOLUTION AND CONSIDERATION
OF STATEMENT ON WORLD CONFERENCE ON RACISM

REF: USUN 2181 (NOTAL)

SUMMARY:

ON MAY 31, TC ADOPTED TWO RESOLUTIONS DEALING WITH THE
VISITING MISSION TO OBSERVE THE CONSTITUTIONAL REFERENDUM
AND THE REGULAR 1979 VISITING MISSION RESPECTIVELY.
SOVIETS ABSTAINED ON THE FIRST (EXPLANATION OF VOTE
FOLLOWS) AND PARTICIPATED IN CONSENSUS ADOPTION OF THE
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SECOND, AFTER OPPOSING A STATEMENT SPECIFYING THAT THE
REGULAR MISSION WOULD HAVE A MAXIMUM OF THREE MEMBERS
(ONE FROM EACH ELIGIBLE DELEGATION). SOVIETS ALSO
OPPOSED PROPOSED LANGUAGE OF A STATEMENT BY THE TC
PRESIDENT IN RESPONSE TO THE INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE
AS AN OBSERVER AT THE WORLD CONFERENCE ON RACISM. THE
STATEMENT WILL BE THE SUBJECT OF CONSULTATIONS. THE

FINAL MEETING OF THE 45TH TC IS SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 8.
END SUMMARY.

1. AT THE PENULTIMATE MEETING OF THE 45TH TC SESSION ON MAY 31, THE TC ADOPTED DRAFT RESOLUTIONS T/L 1209 AND T/L 1210 CONCERNING THE VISITING MISSION TO OBSERVE THE CONSTITUTIONAL REFERENDUM AND THE REGULAR 1979 VISITING MISSION, RESPECTIVELY (REFTEL). T/L 1209 WAS ADOPTED BY A VOTE OF 3 (US, UK AND FRANCE) IN FAVOR WITH ONE ABSTENTION (USSR). IN AN EXPLANATION OF VOTE, SOVIET DEPUTY PERM REP KHARLAMOV SAID THE SOVIET UNION HAD ABSTAINED FOR A NUMBER OF REASONS, INTER ALIA:

THE PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPH NOTES THAT THE REFERENDUM WILL ONLY TAKE PART IN PART OF THE TT AND NOT THE WHOLE TERRITORY AND THE USSR REGARDS THE UNILATERAL ACTION OF THE ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY IN ESTABLISHING THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS AS INCORRECT, UNJUST AND IN VIOLATION OF ARTICLE 83 OF THE CHARTER. NOTING THAT THE REFERENDUM WILL BE OF GREAT IMPORTANCE, KHARLAMOV SAID THE SOVIET DELEGATION WILL FOLLOW IT WITH INTEREST BUT THAT SENDING THE MISSION TO OBSERVE THE REFERENDUM COULD BE REGARDED AS RECOGNITION OF THE UNJUST ACTION OF DISMEMBERING THE TT. ALSO, KHARLAMOV SAID THAT THE RESOLUTION DOES NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE REQUEST BY THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA FOR SC REPRESENTATION.

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TATION ON THE MISSION.

2. KHARLAMOV ALSO NOTED THAT AT THE PREVIOUS MEETING OF THE TC US REP (COOKS) HAD STATED THAT THE US WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTIONS TO FOREIGN CORRESPONDENTS COVERING THE REFERENDUM. HE SAID HE HOPED THE ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY WOULD FACILITATE THE WORK OF JOURNALISTS REPORTING ON THE REFERENDUM, IN THE PERIOD PRIOR TO THE VOTING AS WELL AS DURING THE ACTUAL VOTING.

3. CONCERNING L1210, BROCHENIN (FRANCE), IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST FROM THE SECRETARIAT THAT HE CLARIFY THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO MIGHT PARTICIPATE IN THE REGULAR VISITING MISSION SO THAT THE FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS OF THE RESOLUTION WOULD BE CLEAR, SAID THAT IT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED THAT A MAXIMUM OF THREE MEMBERS (ONE EACH FROM THE UK, FRANCE AND USSR) MIGHT GO ON THE MISSION. KHARLAMOV TOOK EXCEPTION TO THIS AND, NOTING THAT THE MISSION WOULD BE THE LAST ONE TO THE TT (SIC), ASKED FRANCE TO GIVE UP ITS "RESERVATIONS" ABOUT HAVING ONLY ONE MEMBER FROM EACH PARTICIPATING COUNTRY. BROCHENIN REPLIED THAT HE HAD ONLY SOUGHT TO CLARIFY A BUDGETARY CONSIDERATION AND

THAT HE WAS NOT SO SURE IT WOULD BE THE LAST MISSION TO THE TT. L1210 WAS THEN ADOPTED BY CONSENSUS. FOLLOWING THE MEETING, KHARLAMOV SOUGHT OUT MISOFF (KRIENDLER) AND SAID HE HOPED THAT HE WOULD SEE HIM IN MICRONESIA IN 1979.

4. TC PRESIDENT GARRIGUE (FRANCE) READ A PROPOSED STATEMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE SYG'S INVITATION TO THE TC TO PARTICIPATE AS AN OBSERVER IN THE WORLD COUNCIL TO COMBAT RACISM WHICH WOULD STATE, INTER ALIA, "WITH REGARD TO MICRONESIA, THE ONLY REMAINING TRUST TERRITORY ON THE COUNCIL AGENDA, I AM PLEASED TO INFORM YOU THAT THE TC AND ITS VISITING MISSIONS HAVE ALWAYS CONFIRMED IN THEIR REPORTS THAT THE BASIC HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL UNCLASSIFIED

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FREEDOMS OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE TERRITORY AS SET FORTH
IN THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS, THE TRUSTEESHIP
AGREEMENT AND THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS
HAVE BEEN RESPECTED", AND FURTHER NOTE THAT, DUE TO
PREVIOUS COMMITMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE TC'S
ACTIVITIES IN MICRONESIA THE COUNCIL WOULD NOT BE ABLE
TO ACCEPT THE INVITATION. KHARLAMOV ASKED THAT THE
PARAGRAPH (ABOVE) CONCERNING THE TRUST TERRITORY BE
REVISED ALONG THE FOLLOWING LINES: THE TC EXPRESSES THE
HOPES THAT IN THE LAST TT AS WELL BASIC FREEDOMS SET
DOWN IN THE CHARTER ETC. WILL BE IMPLEMENTED. IT WAS
AGREED THAT CONSULTATIONS WOULD BE HELD TO SEEK AN AGREED
STATEMENT FOR APPROVAL AT THE LAST MEETING OF THE
TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL ON JUNE 8.

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